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1. (Confidential - JMM) Met with Senator George McGovern and Mr. John Holum, of the Senator's staff, in response to the Senator's letter to the Director of 13 April 1971 inquiring about possible Agency knowledge of or indirect involvement in drug traffic in Southeast Asia. (See Memo for Record for details.)

2. (Confidential - GLC) Victor Zafra, OMB, called and gave clearance on our sending our proposed letter on S.1438 to Senator Ervin. Zafra said they would have preferred to wait until the Civil Service Commission testifies before the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee on similar legislation, but he said OMB appreciated our desire to set the record straight with Senator Ervin. He said if significant changes are made the Administration could conceivably approve it. On the other hand, it was also quite possible they would seriously consider a veto if such changes are not made. He asked that we eliminate the "advice" sentence of our letter.

3. (Secret - GLC) Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, called to say General Bruce Holloway, Commander of the Strategic Air Command, will be briefing the Committee tomorrow and asked if one of our "top men" could come up and give Chairman Stennis and him a briefing on the threat at 9:30 tomorrow morning. I called later and advised Mr. Maury and Mr. Bruce Clarke would be there at 9:30 a.m.

4. (Internal Use Only - LLM) In an effort to close out her inquiry last week (see Journal of 26 April), called Miss Rosalind Hoffman, in the office of Representative Robert Drinan, and referred her to House Government Operations Committee reports on the use of polygraphs by the Federal Government. This appeared to satisfy her immediate interest. (The reference to the Committee reports was based upon advice of Messrs. ██████████ and Osborne, Security.)

Miss Hoffman then asked about the Agency position on Representative Bob Wilson's and Senator Sam Ervin's bills relating to the constitutional rights of employees (H. R. 7199 and S.1438). I told her that in past Congresses the Agency had made its views known to the committees having jurisdiction over this proposed legislation with respect to the need for exemption.

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